

BROOKLYN NEWS.

CAPTURED AN ACTOR. SAYS HIS MAD THER WAS BEATEN

Scott, of "The South Before the War," a Small-pox Suspect.

May Have to Fumigate a Brooklyn Theatre.

Taken Away from a Theatrical Boarding-House.

Rufus L. Scott, a young negro, who sings in a quartet in "The South Before the War," now being played at the Star Theatre, in Brooklyn, was quarantined here in Mm. Lord's theatrical boarding-house, at 29 Willoughby street, a small-pox suspect.

The first intimation of the case reached the Health Department in a speech, let received shortly after midnight from the Health Department of Baltimore, where the company played recently. The communication was opened by Chief Clerk O'Shea, of the Bureau of Contagious Diseases, and read thus:

"Look out for Rufus L. Scott, colored, a member of the theatrical company playing 'The South Before the War.' We are told that he is in your city, and is now at the Star Theatre. He left Baltimore a few days ago. It is supposed that he has small-pox."

Mr. O'Shea immediately started out to find the patient. After considerable trouble he located him at 29 Willoughby street. On entering the house he was told that Scott was not there. O'Shea closely questioned the man who opened the door, but he declared that he knew nothing of the case. O'Shea called Mm. Lord, and she admitted that several members of the company were in the house and that Scott was among them. She led the health officer to the door where Scott was concealed. Scott denied that he had the disease, his face was covered with eruptions, which had partially dried, and his hands and the marks were the result of a skin disease.

He afterwards pretended that he had "red" measles. Three doctors who accompanied O'Shea examined the patient, and were unable to determine whether the marks were those of small-pox or not. Scott's description of the symptoms of his sickness were those of small-pox.

The house was quarantined, and Scott will be taken to the Flatbush Hospital for observation.

Chief Clerk O'Shea said this morning that he was not certain that Scott had the disease. He may have had it and fully recovered. At the present time there was no reason to expect an outbreak of the disease among other people connected with the show.

LOHMANN PLEADS GUILTY.

Admits Two Thefts of \$100 Each, but Denies a Third.

Ex-Excise Cashier Remanded Until Tuesday for Sentence.

William D. Lohmann, defaulting cashier of the Brooklyn Excise Department, who was brought back from Canada a week ago, pleaded guilty this morning to the Kings County Court of Sessions to two indictments, charging him with grand larceny.

To a third indictment for the same offense he answered "not guilty." The crimes which he acknowledged he had committed were that on Jan. 4 he had received \$100 from Mahoney Brothers, saloonkeepers, in payment for a first-class license, and had failed to turn over the money to the city, and embezzling \$100 paid by a saloon-keeper named Seigelman for the same purpose on Jan. 16.

The indictment to which he pleaded guilty charged him with retaining a similar amount paid by Gustave Spickard on Oct. 21, 1893.

Lawyer Thomas E. Pearson asked Judge Moore to give a light sentence. The lawyer attempted to make every oration in praise of Lohmann's life, when Judge Moore stopped him and told him he had better wait until Tuesday next, when the prisoner could be called up for sentence.

NEVER CONFIDENCE TRICK.

Greer Robbed by a Man He Thought a Schoolmate.

John Heinehaus, a well-to-do grocer, of 47 Gold street, asked the Brooklyn Police to look out for an unknown man who succeeded in stealing \$100 from him.

The man represented himself as Herman Bolte, of the ship Euclyps, lying in Erie Basin, and offered \$500 worth of provisions for the ship.

He said he came to Heinehaus's place because the latter had been born in the same town in Germany, and finally convinced the grocer that they had been schoolmates together.

Heinehaus thought he remembered the schoolmate and invited him up stairs to dine. While in Heinehaus's apartments the man opened a trunk and stole the money.

The police say there is no ship named Euclyps in the Erie Basin.

WARRANT REFUSED.

An application was made in the Gates Police Court, Brooklyn, to-day, for a warrant for the arrest of Dr. Henry L. Schilling, of Stuyvesant and Mulgrave avenues. Dr. Schilling is one of the vaccinators employed by the Board of Health.

On April 28 he took part in a vaccination and inoculated Emu Schaefer, of 141 E. 12th street, who was suffering at the time from a tumor on his arm. He claims that representation was made to Dr. Schilling of this fact, and that he was induced to do so.

On the following day, however, he became precocious, due, according to his family, are endeavoring to raise the family are endeavoring to raise the family are endeavoring to raise the family.

McCarthy Thinks She Was Clubbed to Death in a Hospital.

May Make Charges Against the Kings County Institution.

David F. McCarthy, a sugar sampler for commission merchants, who lives at 2 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, makes grave charges against the Kings County Hospital at Flatbush, in connection with the death of his mother, Margaret McCarthy, which occurred there April 20 last.

McCarthy says that he has reason to believe that his mother was clubbed to death.

"I took her to the hospital on April 5," he says, "and when I called to see her on the two subsequent Sundays I was denied admission. The reason assigned for this was that the patients were quarantined on account of small-pox. Other visits, however, were admitted, and I learned that the quarantine rule was never enforced in the case of relatives. But for some reason which I could not understand at the time, but which now seems clear enough, they would not permit me to share this privilege."

"On April 21 I received notice that my mother had died. I went to the hospital, the medical superintendent of the hospital, told me that the rule prescribed that nobody should see the dead until the undertaker had prepared them for burial."

"I told her she was my mother," I exclaimed, "and I know that this rule, like the one relating to the quarantine, is not always enforced. I am certainly not going to see the dead body of a man who comes to see the dead body of his mother."

"Well, I can't allow you to see it," replied Dr. Arnold, McCarthy states. "I returned later that same day with eight friends and undertaker Matthews, Hamilton avenue and Coles street. The body had by that time been prepared, and my companions and I were permitted to gaze upon its face."

"What I saw struck me speechless. The left eye was blackened and swollen, the mouth was distorted out of shape, and looked as if the jaw-bone had been broken, and on the face there was a general expression of agony. My friends and I could draw only one conclusion from all this; namely, that my mother had been beaten to death in the hospital."

When "The Evening World" reporter called at the hospital yesterday, Superintendent Arnold was not in. The physician in charge, however, said that Mrs. McCarthy was insane when taken to the hospital.

"She and her daughter were brought here together," he said. "The daughter was removed to the insane asylum at once, while Mrs. McCarthy was kept in the insane reception ward for observation. Her mind wandered and she spoke in a rambling, often incoherent way. Sometimes she grew violent. During such a frenzy one night about two weeks ago she jumped from her bed, and fell face downward to the floor, in falling she struck her eye against a chair that stood beside her bed. My attention was called to this the day after it happened. As far as I could judge, the blow on the eye did not amount to much."

When told what the physician in charge had said, McCarthy exclaimed: "Why, my mother lost her only daughter thirty years ago. And as for my mother's insanity, there is no truth in it. She was perfectly sane when she entered the hospital, nor had she at any time shown signs of insanity."

The reporter called at the hospital again this time. Dr. Arnold was in. He was very affable, and showed great readiness in placing the records at the service of the reporter.

"The doctor in charge here yesterday," said the reporter, "stated that Mrs. McCarthy said she was brought here with her daughter; that they were both detained in the insane reception ward for observation, and that, while there, she jumped from her bed, and in that way, injured her eye."

"Perfectly correct," replied Dr. Arnold. "But McCarthy says that his mother hadn't had a daughter living for the last thirty years," quipped the reporter.

"Oh, yes," said Dr. Arnold, "I forgot to say that the doctor who spoke to you yesterday got Mrs. McCarthy mixed up with another patient, but as for the insanity part and her having hurt her eye by jumping from her bed, these statements are correct."

When the whole affair was recounted here I would not wait for the doctor to finish his story. I would get at the truth and punish the offender. The woman's case was only a little different from the case of the girl who was killed by a fall from the roof, and her mouth was a trifle crooked, as the natural result of a severe blow to the face. There have been with us for years and have always proved themselves not only efficient, but also humane. Our service to a temper in a teapot. I have not ordered an investigation because I deem the whole affair a mere hoax."

At the office of the Commissioner of Charities and Correction, Chief Clerk Joseph Short, who is believed to be a boarding-house thief who has been operating in Brooklyn for the past year, was too strict to be disturbed by the matter of McCarthy's case. He will lay the matter before the District Attorney.

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M'LAUGHLIN BLAMED.

Brooklyn Police Criticise the Inspector's Drilling Methods.

Navy-Yard Parade Ground Proliferous of Heat Prostrations.

A Sergeant and a Patrolman Overcome There Yesterday.

Police captains, sergeants and patrolmen were about the Brooklyn Headquarters this morning, expressing their dissatisfaction over the alleged lack of judgment displayed by Inspector Patrick H. McLaughlin in drilling the force for the police parade, which is to take place, May 28.

The Inspector, the men say, does not seem to grasp the limit of their endurance in drilling, because while they are maneuvering on foot, he sits astride a fine horse giving orders.

As a result, it is said, two of the men drilling in yesterday's platoon are on the sick list to-day.

The dissatisfaction among the captains and their men began to assert itself when Inspector McLaughlin selected the parade ground at the Marine Barracks in the Navy-Yard for the drills. This ground the men say, without exaggeration, is the hottest location in Brooklyn, and a poorer place for drilling purposes could not have been selected.

The barracks surround the ground, so that little or no breeze is felt, and it is exposed to the sun for the greater part of the day. During the drill yesterday, it is said, the thermometer on the grounds registered 85 degrees.

Inspector McLaughlin kept 600 men drilling continuously for several hours, and before the drill was half over the men began to show signs of fatigue.

Patrolman Ceterly, of the Stage street station, finally appealed to Capt. Ennis to ask the Inspector to allow the men to rest.

"We can't stand this work much longer," said the patrolman. "I feel sick already," he continued.

Capt. Ennis, who was nearly worn out himself, expressed his sympathy for the sick policemen left in ranks. He had hardly reached a shady spot for rest when another patrolman, who also complained of feeling ill, took home Sergeant Stacion, of the Atlantic avenue station, dropped in the ranks. He was picked up in an unconscious condition and subsequently removed to his home in a cab.

A physician who was called from the barracks of the Navy-Yard, after examining Sergeant Stacion, said he thought he was suffering from a slight stroke.

Five hundred policemen in another battalion will be drilled to-day at the same place by Inspector McLaughlin. The captains of the Second Battalion were viewing the mercury in the thermometers at headquarters this morning with considerable anxiety.

BURGLARS WITH A LADDER.

They Entered the Open Window of a Brooklyn House.

Many Robberies Perpetrated During the Night.

A number of burglaries were committed in Brooklyn during last night, and in every case the perpetrators managed to escape with their plunder.

Some time after midnight burglars entered the home of William H. Bennett, at 88 Elton street. They secured \$113 in cash belonging to H. J. Bezer, a boarder, and \$6 and a fine clock, valued at \$25, belonging to Mr. Bennett.

The same burglars then visited the home of George Hill, at 68 Elton street, two doors above Mr. Bennett's house. They effected an entrance by means of a ladder, which they raised to an open second-story window. They stole a diamond ring and a gold watch valued at \$150.

By means of false keys some unknown persons entered the bathhouse at 715 Gates avenue and stole a quantity of clothing and jewelry valued at \$200.

Burglars entered the flat of Robert Halstead, at 78 Hancock street, during the absence and escape with clothing and jewelry valued at \$40. A sneak thief also entered Louis Reiss's flat, at 22 Second avenue, and stole clothing valued at \$35.

The police this morning arrested Adolph Lecorak. He is believed to be a boarding-house thief who has been operating in Brooklyn for the past year.

Leonora, a minor thief, was charged with the theft of 496 Humboldt street, with the theft of \$80, which she says he stole from her apartment while he was a boarder in the house.

Fred Greiss, another boarder, also charged Leonora with stealing his gold watch. The pawn ticket for Greiss's watch was found on the prisoner.

KEENEY MUST STAND FIRE.

His Demerit to Indictments Overruled by Judge Moore.

The Grand Jury of Kings County did not find any additional indictments against President Seth L. Keeney and other directors of the defunct Commercial Bank. Some time ago Keeney demurred to the indictments already presented in court.

To-day Judge Moore overruled the demurrer and ordered the defendants to plead to the indictments and prepare to go to trial.

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